

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1, 3, 5-8.

Applicants have the following response to the Examiner's only remaining rejection in the Final Rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §102

In the Final Rejection, the Examiner continues to reject Claims 2, 4 and now 9-11 under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Nakada (US 5,393,614). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

While Applicants traverse this rejection, in order to advance the prosecution of this application, Applicants are canceling Claim 2, without prejudice or disclaimer, rendering the rejection of this claim moot.

In addition, Applicants are amending independent Claim 4 to recite "a layer in which a phenanthroline derivative represented by a general formula (3) and at least one element selected from alkali metals and alkali-earth metals are mixed."

In contrast, Nakada does not disclose or suggest this claimed feature.

Therefore, independent Claim 4 is not disclosed or suggested by Nakada, and Claim 4 and those claims dependent thereon are patentable over Nakada. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and should be allowed.

If any further fee should be due for this amendment and/or the extension of time, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

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